

**COMBINED REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR
1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

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For: Bendable Extension Arm

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This is a combined Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 12/17/2004 in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed an RCE Transmittal and Amendment C.

The requested extension is for three months from 03/17/05 to 06/17/2005.

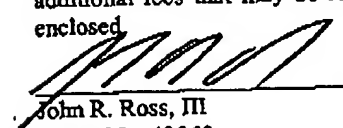
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| Examiner Name | Williams, Mark A. |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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- iv. ☐ Other _____
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